

BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

AGENDA REVIEW	9/30/2015
BOARD MEETING	10/13/2015
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health
SUBJECT	Adopt the Department of Mental Health's Mental Health Services Act Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2015-16.
PROGRAM	Program Support/MHSA
DEADLINES	n/a
COST & FUNDING	n/a
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Adoption of the MHSA Annual Update is necessary in order for DMH to submit the Plan to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (Commission) and is required by WIC Section 5847. Recent amendments to the MHSA require that the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan and the Annual Updates be adopted by the County Board of Supervisors. Additionally, it is required that the Three-Year Program and the Annual Updates be certified by the County Mental Health Director and the County Auditor-Controller attesting that the County has complied with any fiscal accountability requirements as directed by the State Department of Health Care Services, and that all expenditures are consistent with the MHSA requirements. Under the MHSA, a draft Three-Year Program and expenditure Plan and the Annual Updates must be prepared and circulated for review and comment for at least 30 days to representatives of stakeholder interests and any interested party who has requested a copy of the draft plan. Additionally, the MHSA requires that the Mental Health Commission conduct a Public Hearing on the draft Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan and the Annual Updates at the close of the 30-day comment period.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<p>Assembly Bill (AB) 1467, chaptered into law on June 27, 2012 implemented changes to the MHSA law. AB 1467 requires each county mental health program to prepare and submit a Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan and the Annual Updates, adopted by the County Board of Supervisors and submitted to the Commission. It also requires that the Three-Year Program and the Annual Updates be certified by the County Mental Health Director and the County Auditor-Controller. This includes the County Mental Health Director's certification as to the requisite stakeholder participation and compliance with MHSA non-supplantation provisions.</p> <p>The Commission provided direction to the counties to complete MHSA Annual Updates through a memo dated August 2, 2013, and distributed the MHSA Fiscal Accountability Certification Form to be completed by the County Mental Health Director and County Auditor-Controller.</p> <p>The public hearing notice requirements referenced in WIC Section 5848, subdivisions (a) and (b) have been fulfilled and are recorded in the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan. The County Auditor-Controller and County Mental Health Director have both signed the MHSA Fiscal Accountability Certification Form included in the Annual Update.</p>
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